



# **FLORIDA AIDS DRUG ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

## **Statewide Conference Call**

### **Medicare Part D/CVS Implementation**

**September 22, 2011**

**10:00 AM – 12:00 NOON**

**County Roll Call:** *Alachua, Bay, Brevard, Broward, Citrus, Collier, Columbia, Escambia, Gadsden, Hillsborough, Holmes, Jackson, Lake, Lee, Leon, Miami-Dade, Okaloosa, Osceola, Palm Beach, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, St. Lucie, Suwannee, Volusia, Wakulla, Washington*

**DOH Headquarters Participants:** Justin Ferrill, Makeshia Barnes, Sheila Price, Stephanie Brown, Debbie Taylor, Brenda Andrews, Steven Badura, Ken Hart, Ivan Cook, Roxanne Sieks, Jimmy Llaque, Lorraine Wells, Bruce Campbell

#### **MEDICARE PART D/CVS IMPLEMENTATION**

##### **Overview:**

We are in the third week of the CVS implementation. Welcome packages have been mailed to county staff. Replacement CVS ID cards are \$1.00. Copies should be made of the cards when received in the event they are lost. The September 8<sup>th</sup> client conference call had good participation and positive feedback.

As of today, 541 individuals have been enrolled in the ADAP Premium Plus program. Around 400 claims have been processed from retail sites.

In troubleshooting some issues, we have discovered that there are certain insurance companies that are not networked with CVS. Three that we know of are:

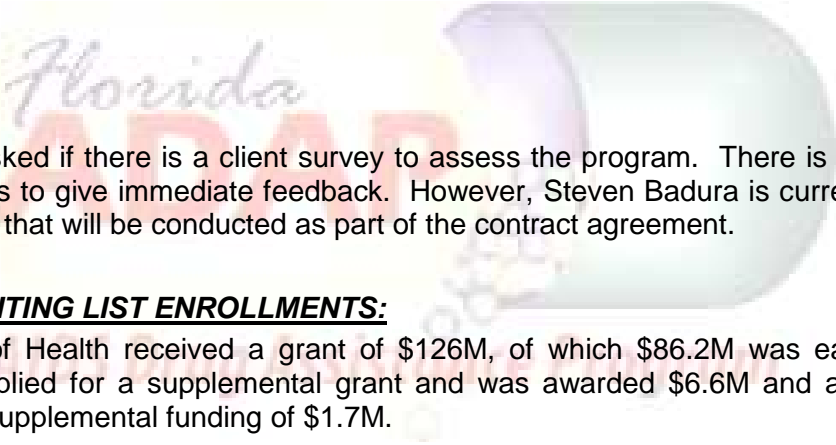
- ▶ Cigna
- ▶ Humana (only a component), and
- ▶ Florida Quality Healthcare

Clients who have one of these insurance may want to consider a different plan if they would like ADAP to cover their medications. Michael Rayner shared that a client can contact their local SHIP.

A client may enroll in the mail order program at anytime in the year.

#### **MEDICARE OPEN ENROLLMENT:**

As a reminder, there are clients who are Medicare Part D eligible in the program who either do not know they are eligible or have not applied. These clients must enroll during the Open Enrollment period if they wish to continue to be served by ADAP. Open Enrollment is **October 15 – December 7, 2011.**



Michael Rayner asked if there is a client survey to assess the program. There is a link on our webpage for clients to give immediate feedback. However, Steven Badura is currently working on a formal survey that will be conducted as part of the contract agreement.

**SEPTEMBER WAITING LIST ENROLLMENTS:**

The Department of Health received a grant of \$126M, of which \$86.2M was earmarked for ADAP. ADAP applied for a supplemental grant and was awarded \$6.6M and also received additional Part B Supplemental funding of \$1.7M.

We have identified 1,500 individuals to be enrolled into the ADAP program from the waiting list. We are also looking to reduce the AICP waiting list as well. Six hundred individuals were overridden on August 15<sup>th</sup> to come off the waiting list. The lists of applicants were sent to the counties on Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup>. Of the 600 applicants, 132 are in open status, 455 are still in waiting status pending enrollment completion and 13 were closed. Applicants must be contacted by Friday, September 23 and enrolled in the program by October 7<sup>th</sup>.

When clients are enrolled into the program they may have medications on hand from the Patient Assistant Program, please be sure they exhaust their medications before requesting refills.

**ABBOTT CO-PAY CARDS:**

Abbott offers co-pay cards and pays up to the first \$50 for Norvir. They also offer a Co-Pay Plus Card that covers up to the first \$50 for Kaletra as well as up to \$50 each for two additional HIV medications in the Kaletra regimen. These cards are available through local physician.

A question was asked about Complera. We have received price neutrality for Complera. The Task Force is requesting additional discounts from Gilead. There is a scheduled Workgroup conference call in November, we will discuss addition of Complera during that time.

**With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned.**